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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Hui Duan et al.

Application No.: 09/916,780

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Art Unit: 1638

For: METHODS FOR THE CONTROLLED,  
AUTOMATIC EXCISION OF  
HETEROLOGOUS DNA FROM  
TRANSGENIC PLANTS AND DNA-  
EXCISING GENE CASSETTES FOR USE  
THEREIN

Examiner: G. L. Helmer

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two month extension of time and further to an Advisory Action mailed April 1, 2005 bringing the due date to May 29, 2005 to respond to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2004.

This petition is being filed in order to ensure copendency with application being filed concurrently herewith.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

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covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2). The Director is hereby authorized to

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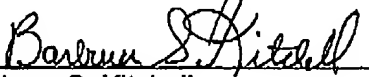
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charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105, under Order No. 59104(30471).

Dated: May 16, 2005

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